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Government of India
Ministry of Women and Child Development**

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary for the month of January 2024 in respect of Ministry of Women and Child Development-reg.

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the unclassified portion of the monthly summary (both in English and Hindi) pertaining to the Ministry of Women and Child Development for the month of January 2024 for information and necessary action.


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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Encl.: As above

To

All the Members of the Council of Ministers

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1. Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog.
2. Secretary to the President of India.
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10. STD (NIC), MWCD with a request to upload this on the Ministry's website.

The following important activities were undertaken by the Ministry during the month of January 2024:

1. Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar-2024

Hon'ble President of India, H.E. Smt. Droupadi Murmu conferred the "Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar" (PMRBP) instituted by the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD), to 19 exceptional children from 18 States/ UTs, on 22.01.2024 in a special function held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

The Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi also interacted with PMRBP awardees on 23rd January, 2024.

2. Launch of "Alliance for Global Good- Gender Equity and Equality" by India at World Economic Forum (WEF)

At the World Economic Forum's Annual Meeting at Davos, Switzerland held from 15-19th January, 2024 India participated in the spirit of "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam", ready to shape a common future marked by global cooperation, aligning with the overarching WEF theme for the year, 'Rebuilding Trust'.

The Indian delegation was led by the Hon'ble Minister, MWCD along with Hon'ble Union Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Hon'ble Minister of Railways, Communications, Electronics & IT, and other senior officers of the Government of India.

One of the key takeaways from the Forum Meeting was the announcement of the launch of Alliance for "Global Good -Gender Equity and Equality" with the support and endorsement by WEF and Government of India.

3. Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra -

Ministry of Women and Child Development is actively involved in the ongoing **Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra**(VBSY) throughout the country under the "**Meri Kahani Meri Zubani (MKMZ)**" initiative where the beneficiaries speak of their experiences on Poshan Abhiyaan and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) schemes of MWCD and its impact on their lives.

As per the VBSY dashboard, more than 4.66 lakh beneficiaries of MWCD (2.21 lakh from POSHAN Abhiyaan and 2.45 lakh from PMMVY) have narrated their experiences. Additionally, "On-spot registrations" of eligible beneficiaries is also being undertaken during the Yatra for saturation of schemes. So far 2.29 lakh on-spot registrations have been reported under various schemes of MWCD. Swasth Balak Spardha (SBS) is also being undertaken where more than 2.57 lakh healthy children have been felicitated so far.

4. PM JANMAN

A total of 2500 Anganwadi Centres are proposed to be sanctioned and constructed in FY 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 for PVTG Habitations under PM JANMAN. 916 AWCs have been sanctioned in January during the FY 2023-24.

5. Celebration of National Girl Child Day

The Ministry celebrated the National Girl Child Day on 24th January, 2024 to promote awareness about the rights of the girl child to bridge the gender divide and to lay emphasis on the importance of girl's education, health and nutrition.

6. “सक्षमनारीसशक्तभारत - Women in the Workforce for Viksit Bharat” programme

The Ministry of Women & Child Development and Ministry of Labour & Employment jointly hosted the event titled - “सक्षमनारीसशक्तभारत - Women in the Workforce for Viksit Bharat” at Bharat Mandapam on 30th January 2024. The event was chaired by the Hon'ble Minister, MWCD and Hon'ble Minister for Labour & Employment.

The National Minimum Standards and Protocol for Crèches (Operation and Management) was released by the Ministry during the event. These Standards and Protocol focus strongly on standardizing and institutionalizing the Care economy, contributing significantly to the vision of 'Women-led Development'.

The event witnessed presence of senior officials across Ministries and representatives from the network of Industry organizations and UN organisations.

7. Closure of Autonomous Bodies

In the light of Cabinet decision dated 06.04.2023 for rationalization and closure of Food & Nutrition Board (FNB), Rashtriya Mahila Kosh (RMK) and Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB), all actions have been completed and detailed Action Taken Report has already been sent vide D.O. letter dated 02.02.2024.